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NUMBER FOR USE IN A SECURITY

SUBSYSTEM FOR A PROCESSOR BASED

DEVICE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 16, 2008

In response to the Final Office Action mailed 16-May-2008, the Applicants are herewith filing a Request for Continued Examination, along with this Preliminary Amendment. Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application, please consider the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification:

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Amendments to the Claims:

Are reflected in the listing of claims which

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Remarks:

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It is believed that no extensions of time or fees are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this parter, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Hewlett-Packard Development Company's deposit account no. 08-2025.